

Product Evaluation

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Engineering Services Program

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Evaluation ID: SHU-104

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Product Name: Extruded Aluminum Bahama Hurricane Shutters, Impact Resistant

Manufacturer: Fortified Building Products, Inc.
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General Description:

The Bahama shutters are constructed from 6063 T-6 extruded aluminum alloy. The shutter panel consists of an extruded aluminum hollow section in the jambs, head, sill, and vertical mounting supports. Each louver blade measures 1.50" x 0.313" x 0.060". This evaluation report includes the following assemblies:

| System | Maximum Frame Dimensions |
|--------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 57" x 88" |
| 2 | 96" x 96" |

The 57" wide x 88" high shutter is secured to the structure through a hinged mounting bracket at the head and either mounting brackets or locking pins at the bottom corners.

The 96" wide x 96" high shutter is secured to the structure through a hinged mounting bracket at the head and mounting brackets along the jambs and sill.

The shutters may be secured to concrete, concrete hollow block or wood framing.

The shutters are permanently mounted to the outside of the structure.

Limitations:

Design Drawings:

System 1: "Extruded Aluminum Bahama Hurricane Shutter 'Impact';" Drawing TX-5146; manufactured by Fortified Building Products, Inc.; Sheets 1 thru 6 of 6; dated January 20, 2021; signed, sealed, and dated July 14, 2021 by Lyndon F. Schmidt, P.E. The stated drawings will be referred to as approved drawings in this report.

System 2: "Extruded Aluminum Bahama Hurricane Shutter 'Impact';" Drawing TX-5147; manufactured by Fortified Building Products, Inc.; Sheets 1 thru 6 of 6; dated January 20, 2021; signed, sealed, and dated July 14, 2021 by Lyndon F. Schmidt, P.E. The stated drawings will be referred to as approved drawings in this report.

Shutter Configurations: The Bahama shutters are installed as a single panel configuration. Refer to the approved drawings for an illustration of the shutter assemblies.

Mounting Conditions: The Bahama shutters must be wall mounted. Refer to the approved drawings for the specific mounting requirements.

Wall Construction: The Bahama may be mounted to the following types of wall framing:

- Wood (minimum Southern Yellow Pine dimension lumber, S.G. = 0.55).
- Concrete (minimum 3,000 psi)
- Hollow concrete block (ASTM C90)

Allowable Design Pressure: The allowable design pressure is as shown below:

System 1: +/-80.0 psf.

System 2: +50.0 / -55.0 psf.

Note: The shutters must be in a closed and locked position to achieve the allowable design pressure rating

Maximum Overall Dimensions:

System 1: 57" wide x 88" high

System 2: 96" wide x 96" high.

Minimum Separation from Glass: The minimum glazing separation requirements are specified on the drawing. The shutter assembly is considered a non-porous impact protective system. No minimum separation from glass is required unless installed on essential facilities. The shutters may not be installed below a height of 30 feet on essential facilities as defined ASTM E 1996-14a.

Product Identification:

System 1: The shutter assembly has a permanent label that indicates the manufacturer (Fortified Building Products, Inc.); the name of the product (Extruded Aluminum Bahama Hurricane Shutters, Impact Resistant Shutters); the missile level (Large Missile Impact); the test standards (TAS 201-94, 202-94, and 203-94; and the drawing number (TX-5146).

System 2: The shutter assembly has a permanent label that indicates the manufacturer (Fortified Building Products, Inc.); the name of the product (Extruded Aluminum Bahama Hurricane Shutters, Impact Resistant Shutters); the missile level (Missile Level D); the test standards (ASTM E 330-02; ASTM E 1886-02, ASTM e 1996-02); and the drawing number (TX-5147).

Compliance: The shutter assemblies passed test criteria equivalent to ASTM E 330-14; ASTM E 1886-13a, and ASTM E 1996-14a.

Impact Resistance: These shutter assemblies satisfy the Texas Department of Insurance's criteria for protection from windborne debris. The assemblies passed Missile Level D specified in ASTM E 1996-14a. The assemblies may be installed at any height on the structure as long as the design pressure rating for the assembly is not exceeded. The shutters may not be installed below a height of 30 feet on essential facilities as defined ASTM E 1996-14a.

Installation Instructions:

General Installation Requirements: The shutters must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions, the approved drawings, and this product evaluation report. Copies of the approved drawings must be available on the jobsite during inspection of the shutter assembly.

Anchorage: The shutters must be anchored to the structure in accordance with the approved drawings.

Note: Keep the manufacturer's installation instructions available on the job site during installation. Use corrosion resistant fasteners as specified in the IRC and the IBC.